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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Prior to calculation of the filing fee and examination on the merits,  
please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2".

Claim 4, line 1, delete "2 or 3".

Claim 5, lines 1 and 2, change "any one of the preceding claims" to  
--claim 1--.

REMARKS

The above amendments are being made to delete multiple  
dependencies in the claims and does not add to or depart from the original  
disclosure or constitute prohibited new matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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